aircraft also poses great hazard. Ministry of Civil Aviation who, inter-*alia,* enforce air safety have stated that there has b en no accident as alleged in the ar icle. They have also stated that in ca e of flight through turburent weathe:-, and during takeoff and landing c f aircraft, the cabin crew are required t_0 secure all loose items in the cabb .

The article also mentions about hazards posed by Visual Display units. The hazards associated with such units have not b*en established.

Persona killed by terrorists In Punjab

1764. SHRI SUXOMAL SEN; Will the Minister of F. OME AFFAIRS be pleased to state iow many persons were killed by tei -orists when Barnala Government was in power?

THE MINISTEM OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBA. RAM): 816 persons were killed due to terrorist activit es in Punjab during the period 1-10-19! 5 to 11-5-1987.

Hoisting of Khali (tan flags in Golden Te nple

1765. SHRI M1TRLIDHAR CHAN-
DRAKANT BHANDARE: DR.
RATNAKAR PANDEY: SHRI T.
:HANDRASEKHAR
REDDY:

Will the Mini- ter of HOME AF-FAIRS b_e pleased *0 state:

• (a) whether militants hoisted "Khalistan" flags n the Golden Temple, Amritsar and killed a number of people in Punjab on June 3-4-1987, .on the third ann yersary of "Operation Blue Star"; and

(b) if so, what ar_e the details of these incidents an I Government's reaction thnreto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE W THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PEN_ SIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM); (a) and (b) There is no information regarding hoisting of such flags in the Golden Temple, Amritsar, on June 3-4.1987. 8 persons were killed in incidents due to terrorist activities on these two days in Punjab.

Goverhment is concerned about such activities. All out efforts are being made to curb terrorist activities.

Progress on cleaning of Ganga

1766. SHRI MAHENDRA* PRASAD:
SHRI MURLH3HAR CHAN-
DRAKANT BHANDARE:
DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY;

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) what progress has so far bee* made on cleaning of the Ganga sine* the project was undertaken indicating the phased schedule and the achievements made, itemwise; and

(b) the expenditure incurred thert-o_n so far and the total esitmated cost of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE W THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) and (*>) (*) Till 31rt July, 1987 a total of 259 schemes *to* be taken up in the $thre_e$ states oJ U.P., $Biha_r$ and West Bengal under t^o nq-i^a Action Plan havp been Identified In consultation with till state government.

(ii) Out of these, 177 number oX schemes at an estimated cost of R*. 175 crores hav_e been sanctioned till 31-7-87 and work has started on the execution of most of them.

(iii) 7 schemes at a_n es^+imated eogt of Rs. 3.23 crores have already bee* completed in Hardwar-Rishikesh, Ram-